MINUTES STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES January 28, 1987

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges met at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, 1987, in Room 502A, Walter Sillers Building, Jackson. Members present were:

Wes C. Burkhardt, Jr.
Herdia Sena Cauthen
Tom Childs
Bertha Daniels
Jean-Marie Hill

H. J. Pearson Malcolm Phillips Susan Purdy William Terrell

Member Bettye Applewhite was absent.

Chairman Tom Childs presided. The invocation was given by Eddie Smith.

On motion by H. J. Pearson and second by Malcolm Phillips, the minutes of the December 10, 1986 meeting were approved unanimously.

Susan Purdy offered a motion which was seconded by Jean-Marie Hill and carried unanimously that those requesting action by the Mississippi State Board for Community and Junior Colleges are expected to provide accurate, complete and balanced information.

George Moody gave the following Director's report:

- 1) February 1987 has been proclaimed Public Junior College Month by Governor William Allain.
- 2) Distributed a report on performance of practice nurse graduates on 1986 PN examination. The Board requested additional information if available from other agencies which have oversight of practical nursing programs.
- 3) Expressed concern about use of term "higher education" when applied narrowly without inclusion of junior colleges and private colleges.
- 4) Distributed materials on rationale of need for junior college support appropriation request for FY 1988.
- 5) Announced dates of annual convention of American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC) in Dallas, Texas, on April 22-25; inquired of members attendance.

A report on legislative bills introduced and the positions of the Mississippi Junior College Association on each bill was given by Clyde Muse. Upon motion by Susan Purdy and second by Wes Burkhardt, the Board voted unanimously to endorse the following bills:

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H. B. 547 - Coordination of all segments of education

H. B. 744/S. B. 2521 - Increase required high school units to seventeen for courses correlated to universities

H. B. 781/S. B. 2522 - Community college name

S. B. 2563 - Business and industry extension service in junior college system.

Chairman Childs expressed appreciation for the helpful report, and asked that the Presidents' Association present monthly reports in addition to the legislative report which will be broader with issues and recommendations from the institutions.

Eddie Smith, Brad Tucker, and Richard Newton gave an articulation report from the Mississippi Junior College Association, and requested the State Board Liaison Committee continue to work with the BIHL committee to maximize the orderly transfer of students between junior colleges and universities. Chairman Childs requested that the junior college committee keep the State Board's committee informed about articulation matters.

Eddie Smith presented a request from the Board of Trustees of East Central Junior College for State Board approval to enter into contract with the U. S. Department of Education for a low interest federal college housing loan for the renovation of dormitories in an amount not to exceed \$1,457,000. On motion by H. J. Pearson and second by Wes Burkhardt, the State Board unanimously approved the East Central Junior College Board of Trustees to enter into contract under the terms and conditions requested.

The relationship of the State Board staff acting as secretary and administrator of activities of the Mississippi Junior College Association was discussed. It was noted that the demands of the State Board upon the staff had increased and would require the realigning of priorities on the various job tasks of the staff members. Upon a motion by Wes Burkhardt and second by William Terrell, Board unanimously directed the chairman to write Reid Thorne as president of the Mississippi Junior College Association that the State Board perceived as inappropriate the staff continuing to act as secretary to the association, and to invite discussion with the presidents in the February meeting.

A financial report for the period ending December 31, 1986 was presented by George Moody with the recommendation to request transfer of funds between line items. On motion by H. J. Pearson and second by Malcolm Phillips, the State Board unanimously approved a request to the Fiscal Management Board for transfer from travel the amounts of \$2,000 to contractual services and \$260 to commodities for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987.

The Board reviewed a request to elect three persons to serve as members of the Mississippi Higher Education Assistance Corporation. Expressing a desire for information about the corporation and the appointments, a motion was made by Susan Purdy to delay making appointment and to invite Malcolm Lightsey, Executive Director of the Corporation, to meet with the State Board in February meeting. The motion was seconded by Malcolm Phillips and passed unanimously.

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Copies of information related to budget requests, appropriations, and allocation of funds were distributed. The topics are to be reviewed in the February meeting.

On motion by William Terrell and second by Susan Purdy, the State Board unanimously voted to hold its next meeting as follows:

Tuesday, February 24
Wednesday, February 25
1:30 p.m. Work Session
8:30 a.m. Work Session
1:30 p.m. Business Meeting

A motion made by Malcolm Phillips and seconded by Bertha Daniels, passed unanimously to provide copies of the minutes of the State Board meetings to Universities and Colleges Committee of the House and Senate, and to request from the State Board of Education and Board of Trustees of Institutions of Higher Learning copies of the agenda and minutes of their meetings.

Adjournment was ordered at 6:00 p.m.

By: Edge V. Moody Direct

Approved: For E Childs of Chairman

Date: Feb. 25, 1987